

WAR SPIRIT DEAD CLAIMS WRITER

All Americans Are Pacifists,
Says London Author—Con-
flict Not Wanted.

LONDON, Aug. 26.—Writing in the Daily Mail, Sydney Brooks, who has lived a great deal in the United States, says that a friend returning from America tells him the most popular song there now is "I didn't raise my boy to be a soldier." Mr. Brooks quotes the song and continues:

Behind the sentiments expressed in this ditty there is rallied, in my judgment, a force of American opinion such as has never yet in any country been devoted to the cause of peace—peace at any price, peace regardless of justice and national dignity and rights.

I do not, of course, mean to imply that this instinctive abhorrence of war, of any war and all wars, of war in itself and apart from all questions of right and wrong, is as yet the dominant feeling of the country.

All Americans are pacifists just now, but the minority that sets the preservation of peace above any other consideration whatsoever, while a larger minority than has even been known in any other land, is still a minority. Most Americans will go far and even very far to avoid war. But they will not go any lengths.

When I first went to the United States, all but 20 years ago, I found that for the dropping of a hat would have gone to war with Great Britain over a few hundred square miles on the borders of Venezuela.

I found a country eminently high spirited, rather given to making international mountains out of molehills, not without a decided strain of bellicosity in its composition, apt to detect "enemies" and "crises" where none existed, swift as it showed in Cuba, to cut with the sword a tangle that could not otherwise be unraveled, and not in the least afraid to meet and tackle the responsibilities of expansion.

That America is certainly not dead. But may not even be slumbering. But very obviously it is not the America which is now in the ascendant. It is not the America which finds itself today represented in the White House or in congress or in the foreign policy or the preponderant popular opinion of the country.

The United States at this moment is more pacifist than ever before in its history. Nor is its pacifism merely the reaction from the horrors and waste of the European war. It is a movement of thought and sentiment that within the last four or five years has made a sudden and an extraordinary advance. A phenomenon so striking in its contrast to the present state of the old world and so novel in American experience is worth illustrating and worth, if possible, explaining.

Right to Intervene.
For the past four years Mexico has been ground by civil war into anarchy. The United States is Mexico's immediate neighbor. It possesses three rights which hitherto have been held to justify the intervention of one country in the internal affairs of another—the right to protect its own citizens, the right to suppress contagious chaos, and the right of a strong people to rescue a weak one from being crushed by murderous factions into bankruptcy and starvation. In addition there is imposed upon the United States government by the recognized and peculiar obligations of the Monroe doctrine the duty of safeguarding the lives and property of foreigners.

These rights the United States has deliberately refrained from exercising. This duty with equal deliberation it has failed to discharge. And there cannot be much doubt that the passivity of the government has had the support of the great majority of the American people.

They shrink from going into Mex-

ico not merely because of its cost or its difficulties or the aftermath of responsibilities or its effect upon Spanish-American opinion, but because, above all things, they do not regard intervention as morally justified.

The president himself told them only a few months ago that it was none of his business and none of theirs how long the Mexicans took in settling their domestic affairs or how much blood they spilled in the process.

"So far as my influence goes," he declared, "while I am president, nobody shall interfere with them."

Americans have been killed in Mexico, have been captured and held for ransom, their homes have been looted, their crops destroyed, their cattle and horses stolen, their industries and properties to the value of many hundreds of millions of dollars have been ruined.

But to all appeals for protection their government has answered in effect that the interest and responsibility of the United States ceased when they crossed the Rio Grande.

In that same way the treaties between the two countries have been torn to shreds, the remonstrances and representations of the Washington authorities have been ignored, and the enmeshed by the president have been openly insulted.

**CATTLE SCOURGE
AGAIN RAMPANT**

Federal Authorities Put Lake
County Under Guard With
Shotguns.

CHICAGO, Aug. 26.—Discovery of a new and virulent outbreak of the foot and mouth disease in the midst of the richest stock farms, Wednesday led to the United States government establishing its most rigorous form of quarantine over the whole of Lake county, and the posting of armed federal guards at all cross roads to prevent the passage of pedestrians.

Sixteen big herds of valuable cattle are already known to be infected in the district between Wheeling and Barrington, and millions of dollars worth belonging to some of Chicago's wealthiest land owners are either infected or in immediate danger and rigorously quarantined.

Among those endangered are the registered herds of Swift, Cudahy, Arthur Meeker, Mrs. Scott Durand, Walter H. Miller of Miller & Hart, J. Ogden Armour and Samuel Insull.

The embargo is as strict as United States regulations and shot guns can make it. From Washington has come the order that mail carriers shall not pass through the village of Half Day, the center of the infection. Milwaukee road for miles on each side of Half Day, is closed to traffic, and the village is entirely cut off from the world. Grocers, butchers and other merchants are forbidden to deliver goods; milk shipment has been forbidden, and the guards have orders to kill any chickens, dogs and cats that appear in the roads. Even visiting among neighbors is forbidden.

REFUSES TO QUIT HUSBAND

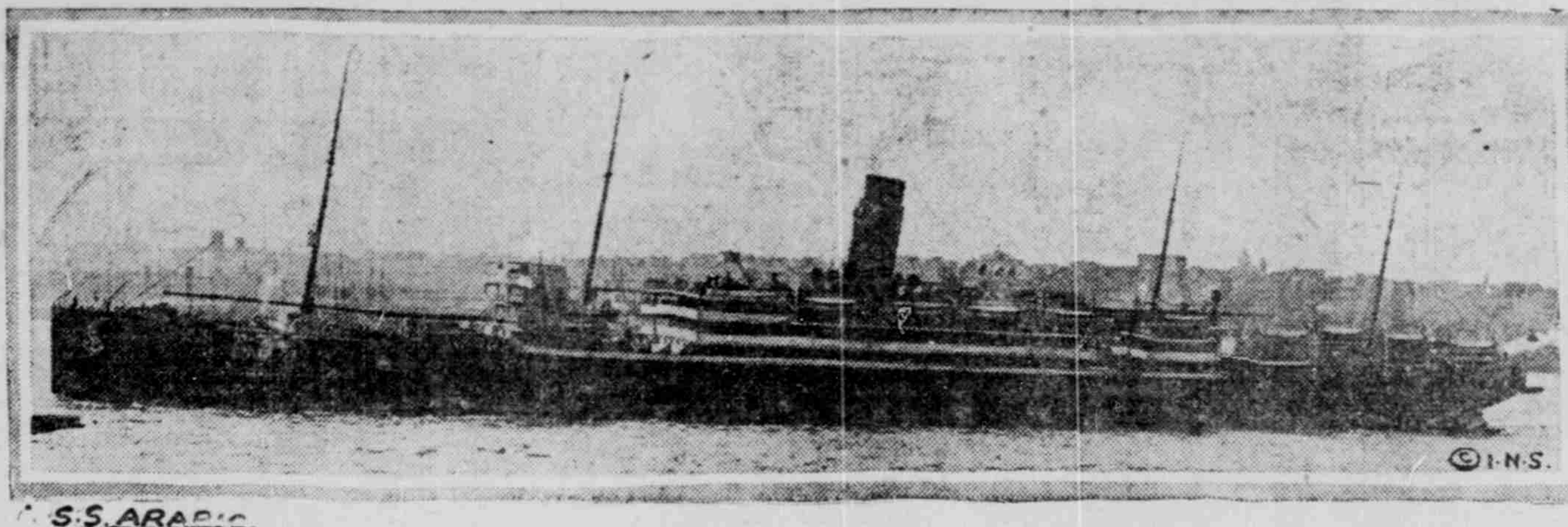
ATLANTA, Ga., Aug. 26.—Mrs. J. J. Coulter, 55, committed suicide Wednesday afternoon by swallowing carbolic acid. She died rather than leave her invalid husband to go east to her rich relatives.

Mrs. Coulter is the sister of Samuel Jackson, millionaire, head of the Samuel Jackson, Sons & Co., manufacturers of railroad fuses, torpedoes and supplies, Philadelphia, Pa.

REAL FORESIGHT.

Col. Roosevelt hardly had left off notifying the world that China is even more defenseless than the United States before the Standard Oil Co. went over there and began to take possession.

S. S. ARABIC TORPEDOED BY GERMAN SUBMARINE



JAPAN AIDS RUSSIA WITH AMMUNITION

Former Ambassador to France States
Sending of Troops is a Political
Question.

PARIS, Aug. 26.—Baron Kikuroji Ishii, former Japanese ambassador to France, who has been appointed to the head of the Japanese foreign ministry, interviewed on the eve of his departure from Paris, was asked:

"Will Japan actually send troops to fight in the European war?"

"That is a political question," he replied, "and depends also on technical questions which I am unable at present to judge."

"My first care on assuming my new office," Baron Ishii continued, "will be to draw still closer the bonds uniting Japan and the powers of the triple entente. The fate of Japan is entirely bound up with that of her allies. The war relations of Japan and the triple entente must remain not a whit less close, not only in the interest of each, but still more in that of the world's peace."

Asked as to what aid Japan intend-

ed to give Russia, the baron said:

"Since the beginning of the war Japan has been sending great quantities of arms and ammunition to Russia. Now that Russia is in the midst of grave difficulties, it is our imperative duty to consider the advisability of giving her still greater aid. The quantity of munitions will have to be increased."

TWO KILLED IN EXPLOSION

New Kind of Artillery Shell Blows
Up.

BETHLEHEM, Pa., Aug. 26.—Two persons were killed and eight were wounded by the explosion of a new kind of artillery shell during the tests on the proving ground of the Bethlehem Steel Co. at Reddington Wednesday. The dead are Paul Stout, described as a "high official," and a foreign workman. The shells are being manufactured, it is said for the British army.

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